

# The Middletown Transcript

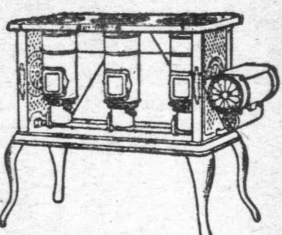
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## NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS

—OF—

**APPOQUINIMINK HUNDRED!**

The taxable residents of Appoquinimink Hundred, and all persons liable to pay tax in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1906 are now due, and the undersigned Tax Collector for said Hundred, will be at the office of GEORGE M. D. HART, IN TOWNSHIP, DEL., SATURDAYS, APRIL 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th, '07 From 1 to 5 o'clock, P. M.

EXTRACT FROM THE LAWS OF DELAWARE, GOVERNING THE COLLECTION OF TAXES OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY:

SECTION 35. That on all taxes paid before the first day of August there shall be an abatement of 5 per centum. On all taxes paid before the first day of December there shall be an abatement of three per centum. On all taxes paid after the first day of December five per centum thereof shall be added thereto.

**WILLIAM H. MONEY,** Collector of Taxes for Appoquinimink Hundred

The Transcript, \$1

## THE LOCAL OPTION LAW

An Act Providing for the Submission to Qualified Electors

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware, in General Assembly met:

Section 1. That on the Tuesday next after the first Monday of November in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seven, in each of the several districts of the State mentioned in Section 2, of Article XIII of the Constitution of the State of Delaware, the question, Whether the Manufacture and Sale of Intoxicating Liquors shall be Licensed or Prohibited within the limits of said several districts, shall be submitted to the vote of the qualified electors of said several districts. In every such district in which there shall be, upon said vote, a majority against license, no person, firm or corporation shall thereafter manufacture or sell spirits, vinous or malt liquors, except for medicinal or sacramental purposes within said district, until, at a subsequent submission of such question, a majority of votes shall be cast in said district for license.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the Registration Officers of the respective election districts in this State now in office, to sit on the third and fourth Saturdays immediately preceding the day herein prescribed for taking the vote aforesaid, from 8 o'clock A. M., until 7 o'clock P. M., with an intermission from 12 o'clock mid-day to 1 o'clock P. M., at the place in each Election District where it is proposed to take the vote aforesaid, or at some convenient and suitable other place in said election district, and at such sittings to add to the Registers and Books of Registered Voters of their respective election districts the names of all persons applying to them who may have become qualified to vote since the day of the last General Election or who may have become qualified to vote by the day of such Special Election or who being otherwise qualified to vote, did not become registered prior to the said last General Election. The said Registration Officers, within one week before their first sitting as provided for in this section, shall procure from the Clerks of the Peace of their respective counties the two Registers and the two Books of Registered Voters, for respective election districts. It shall be the duty of the Clerks of the Peace in the several counties to deliver said books to the said Registration Officers when the same shall be applied for as aforesaid. On delivering one of the Registers and one of the Books of Registered Voters and the Book of Registration Certificates to the Inspector or other person authorized by law to hold the Special Election in his Election District, for the purpose of taking the vote aforesaid, it shall be the duty of each Registrar to deliver the Register and the Book of Registered Voters which was not used at the General Election held in the year 1906; the several Registrars shall deliver the other said Registers and the other said Book of Registered Voters to the Clerks of the Peace of their respective counties within one week after such special election. In case from any cause there shall be vacancies among such Registration Officers in any election district outside of the City of Wilmington, such vacancies shall be filled by the appointment of the Governor, and in case such vacancies among such Registration Officers shall exist in any election district within the City of Wilmington, such vacancies shall be filled by the Department of Elections for the City of Wilmington.

Section 3. All qualified electors shall be entitled to vote upon the questions so to be submitted to them as aforesaid, under the same conditions as such electors would be entitled to cast their ballots at a General Election. The Special Election for the taking of the vote provided for in this Act shall be held in the several voting districts of the State, upon similar notice, at the same places, by the same election officers, including clerks and voters' assistants and subject in all respects to the same laws, so far as the same are applicable, as were employed, used and enforced at the General Election in the year 1906. In case from any cause there shall be vacancies among such election officers in any election district outside of the City of Wilmington, such vacancies shall be filled by the Governor, and in case such vacancies among such election officers shall exist in any election district within the City of Wilmington, such vacancies shall be filled by the Department of Elections for the City of Wilmington by the appointment of the Governor or said Department of Elections respectively of suitable and duly qualified persons to serve as such election officers in the vacancies so then existing as aforesaid. Such vacancies shall be so filled at least twenty days before the said date fixed for the holding of said election as aforesaid. The election officers so appointed to fill vacancies, as well as election officers continued in office as aforesaid, shall take such oaths and perform such other qualifying acts to fill such offices and fulfill the duties thereof, as are provided by law in that behalf.

Section 4. Provides for the Sheriff's delivering to the Inspectors of the necessary boxes, stationery, &c., and for the forms of the same.

Section 5. Provides that the Clerk of the Peace shall print, fold, wrap, tie, mark and seal and deliver the ballots and all other forms and blanks the same for a general election; and that the Election Officers shall take the same oaths and be subject to the same penalties as at a General Election; and for the violation of any provisions provides the same penalties as apply to General Elections.

Section 6. On the day fixed for the holding of the Special Election for the taking of the vote aforesaid, the polls shall be opened in the several voting districts between 8 and 9 o'clock in the forenoon, and remain continuously open until 7 o'clock in the afternoon. Said polls shall be opened and closed, and the ballots given during said election shall be counted and tallied in the same manner, as at a General Election. Three certificates of the results of the taking of said vote in each voting district, upon the blanks furnished said election officer as aforesaid, shall be made out, signed, certified, placed in envelopes, held and disposed of in the same manner as are corresponding certificates at General Elections; Provided, that the two certificates which are not deposited in the ballot box shall be placed in the custody of the Judges of election, not being the Inspector in each election, one to each, and each of said judges shall produce and deliver said certificates to said Superior Court sitting as a Board of Canvassers as aforesaid, upon Court House at twelve o'clock noon on the first Thursday following the said Special Election.

Section 7. Provides for the canvassing of the votes cast by the Superior Court as done for a General Election, and specifies the form of the certificates to be issued by the Court after ascertaining the result of the election. It also requires that the said Courts shall within three days deposit one copy of said certificate with the Clerk of the Peace of the County, and one with the Secretary of State, and the Governor shall after examination of the said certificates, proclaim forthwith the result of the election, in each of the several Local Option Districts, by publishing the result in one or more newspapers in each county.

Section 8. The Superior Court constituting the Board of Canvassers in New Castle County shall canvass the result of the vote within the corporate limits of the City of Wilmington and the vote cast in the remaining part of New Castle County separately. The results of the vote taken in each Local Option District in the State as defined in Section 2, Article XIII, of the Constitution of the State of Delaware, shall be determined by the ballots cast in each several Local Option district and no ballots cast in any one of said Local Option districts shall be counted or considered in determining the result of the taking of said vote in any other of said Local Option districts.

Section 9. All of the cost and expenses of said Special Election shall be paid by the Levy Courts of the respective counties wherein are located the several Local Option Districts in which said votes are taken.

Section 10. The ballots to be used in the taking of said vote shall be printed upon white paper of uniform appearance and of the uniform size of three by six inches. Each of said ballots shall have a printed line in the middle five extending from the top to the bottom, with the words "against license" printed clearly and legibly on the right-hand side of said line, and the words "for license" on the left-hand side of said line; in voting each qualified elector shall mark his ballot with a pencil or crayon provided for the said Election, by crossing two lines either on the side of printed line aforesaid on which the words "against license" appear or on the side of said line on which the words "for license" are printed. Every ballot cast under the provisions of this Act, marked as aforesaid anywhere on

the right-hand side of the printed line aforesaid, shall be counted as a vote against license, and every ballot marked as aforesaid on the left-hand side of the printed line aforesaid shall be counted as a vote for license.

Section 11. That if it shall appear at said election that a greater number of votes have been cast against license than for license in any of said Local Option Districts of this State, it shall be unlawful for any person or persons, firm, company, association or corporation, or the agent, officer or servant of any firm, company, association or corporation, to manufacture or sell spirits, vinous or malt liquors, except for medicinal or sacramental purposes within said district until at a subsequent submission of such question a majority of votes shall be cast in said district for license. Any person, or person or any agent, officer or servant of any firm, company, association or corporation who shall violate any of the provisions of this Section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall, for the first offense be fined not less than Fifty Dollars (\$50.) nor more than Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.) and the cost of prosecution, and shall be imprisoned for a term not exceeding six months; and for each and every subsequent offense shall be fined not less than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.) nor more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.) and the cost of prosecution, and shall be imprisoned for a term not less than three months nor more than one year.

Section 12. That all prosecutions for any and all violations of any of the provisions of this Act shall be upon presentment and indictment to the Court of General Session of the County within which the Local Option District wherein the said majority of said vote was against license is located; and any Justice of the Peace of any of said counties shall have the same authority to receive information of any violation hereof and to hold to bail for appearance to said Court, as is now exercised by them under the laws of this State in other matters of criminal nature.

## PETTIT JURY DRAWN

Commissioners Thompson and Couch Performed Their First Duty Monday

In the drawing of the petty jury for the May term of court, which convenes on May 13, Monday afternoon, jury Commissioners J. W. Thompson and Henry B. Thompson performed their first official act under the law, passed by the recent Legislature.

All of the work in connection with the making up of the jury lists and the drawing of same has been taken from the jurisdiction of the Levy Court, and hereafter all the duties will be performed by the commissioners appointed by Governor Preston Lea.

The greater part of Monday morning was spent by the commissioners in compiling the lists from which to draw the jury and the drawing took place shortly before 4 o'clock in the afternoon in the private office of Prothonotary Speakman. It was witnessed by several of the county officials.

In preparing the lists for the boxes, the names of the candidates were picked from the different districts according to population in compliance with the act. The new jury boxes were used.

The initial panel of jurors drawn by the commissioners include the following:

First district—Charles H. Gifford, George W. Green, Charles N. Rutter, George F. Porter.

Second district—William W. Dooty, Charles N. Grubb, R. V. C. Wingate, William E. Linton.

Third district—Alfred S. Elliott, George M. D. Cann, Ralph C. Lupton, Frank P. Lackey.

Fourth district—William T. Guthrie, Charles N. Bower, Willard C. Jackson, William Frederick.

Fifth district—John Hamilton, Frederick Mammelle, John W. Lloyd, Jr., Edward F. Kane.

Sixth district—Wells Passmore, William H. Bird.

Seventh district—John O'Neil, Louis Potts.

Eighth district—Benjamin L. Dickey, John H. Crouch.

Ninth district—Elmer E. Thompson, Ira J. McLaughlin.

Tenth district—George D. Whitfield, James T. Eliason.

Eleventh district—Harry McIntire, George Schrader.

Twelfth district—George L. Batten, Charles G. Cann.

Thirteenth district—Julian Cochran, William McMullin.

Fourteenth district—Manlove D. Wilson, Horace I. Harman.

Fifteenth district—James H. Roberts, Samuel A. Armstrong.

## PRESBYTERY FOR "NO LICENSE"

There has been some misunderstanding as to the attitude of the Presbytery of New Castle County and the campaign for "no license" in Delaware. The subject was discussed at the recent session of Presbytery in Pocomoke City, Md., and while the Presbytery refused to "command" the Presbyterial laymen in Delaware to support the Prohibition cause the following resolution was adopted:

"Resolved, That we call the attention of the ministers elders, and membership of the New Castle Presbytery to the deliverance of our General Assembly on the subject of temperance and Prohibition and that we heartily endorse the same."

"Resolved, That we record our gratitude to Almighty God that the Legislature of Delaware has recently passed a local option bill submitting this question to a vote of the people at a special election to be held this fall, and we most heartily and prayerfully urge the entire membership of our church living within the bonds of the State of Delaware to work and pray for the success of the Prohibition side in this local option test."

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## FIGHT AGAINST LICENSE

Temperance People Decided to Give Vigorous Battle

Dover, Del., April 24.—The liquor men of Delaware are served with formal notice to day that they will have a battle royal to prevent the enactment of constitutional prohibition in this state by an election next November.

Walter O. Hoffer of Smyrna, former Congressman and a leading Republican, was chosen as permanent chairman of the convention and the Rev. Joel S. Gillilan, a Presbyterian minister of Newark, was selected as secretary.

The principal work of the morning was to get an efficient committee on party organization and this was finally obtained as follows: Alexander M. Day, chairman; John B. Hutton, William Sansbury, William D. Denney, Isaac T. Parker, John P. Holland, Rev. Alexander Allison, Jr., Dr. G. Layton Grier, Rev. H. W. Kellogg, and the Rev. George C. Hall, Rev. F. F. Briggs, Rev. John H. Nutter, State Treasurer Thomas N. Rawlins, Rev. Joseph Brown Turner, William M. Hope and Merritt N. Willis. The completion of this strong committee was greeted with applause.

This committee on resolutions was then appointed: Alpheus S. Mowbray, Francis H. Moore, S. M. Morgan and Thomas E. Terry.

These resolutions were adopted: Whereas, A majority of the members of the Delaware Legislature during its recent session, recognized the constitutional right of the people of this Commonwealth to vote on the question of license or no license, by enacting a Local Option Law providing for the submission of this question to the qualified voters of Delaware at a special election to be held next November; therefore be it

Resolved, 1, That it is the sense of this convention that immediate steps should be taken to effect a thorough organization of all the Anti License forces in the state, and thus to enlist all available agencies and bring them into prompt and effective activity against the enemy;

Resolved, 2, That we deem it of vital importance to the successful issue of the campaign now begun against the legalized rum traffic, that every citizen opposed to this traffic should use his influence as well as cast his vote for its overthrow at the approaching election.

Resolved, 3, That we regard the legalized traffic as the prolific source of our appalling percentage of crime, vice, debauchery, prostitution, pauperism, insanity, disease and death, and that we, therefore, favor the removal of this vicious institution from our midst, in the interest of social truth, public morals, and an orderly and economical administration of government.

Resolved, 4, That we here and now pledge ourselves to an earnest, active and enthusiastic campaign against this legalized enemy of the state, the church, the home, and the individual.

The platform, as presented by the organization committee is:

The conduct of this anti-license campaign shall be vested in a state campaign committee consisting of thirty members. Each constitutional local option district shall be entitled to six members and there shall be six members at large.

The officers of said committee shall consist of a chairman, a secretary and a treasurer and such other officers as the committee may deem proper.

The state campaign committee shall have the general supervision of the Anti-License campaign in all the districts of the state and shall co-operate with the district committees hereinafter provided for in the management of the campaign in each of the several districts.

The campaign in each of the local option districts of this state shall be conducted by committees in the several districts pursuant to a call of the state campaign committee, at such times and places as the state campaign committee shall designate.

Each of said local option districts, outside of the city of Wilmington shall be composed of twenty members, two from each representative district in said local option districts, and in the local option district comprising the city of Wilmington there shall be a committee consisting of twenty members, two from each representative district and ten members at large.

Each of said committees shall organize as soon as possible after the holding of the said convention in the said several districts, and shall elect a chairman, a secretary and a treasurer and any other officers that may seem necessary. The district committees shall conduct the campaign in the several districts in co-operation with the state campaign committee.

All funds collected for the purpose of carrying on the Anti-License campaign shall be paid over to the treasurer of the state campaign committee and after this committee shall have deducted therefrom a sum necessary for the expenses of the said committee, it shall be the duty of the treasurer of the state committee to pay over to the treasurers of the district committees the remainder of all funds so collected in proportion to the amounts collected by the districts respectively, unless it shall be agreed by the district committees that a different distribution shall be made; provided, however, that no person who desires to do so shall be prevented from contributing to any district treasurer.

The chairman of the state campaign committee, as well as the chairman of the district committee may be chosen from among the members of the said several committees or if deemed advisable, chairman who are not members of their respective committee may be chosen, and this rule shall also apply to the selection of any of the other officers of the committees.

That the several campaign committees both state and district, shall have the power to appoint such other committees as they may deem proper for the management of the campaign.

The district conventions which shall be convened pursuant to a call by the state campaign committee shall be composed

of all voters that are in favor of no license who may desire to attend the said convention.

The state and district committees shall have the power to fill any vacancies in the same that may arise by death, resignation or otherwise.

It is the sense of this convention that all temperance organizations, whether in the state or out of it, should work under the supervision of the state campaign committee and the district committees herein provided for, so that in effect there will be one great organization, working with one accord for the advancement of the anti-license cause in this state.

The new state central committee as finally agreed upon consist of:

Wilmington city—General Isaac T. Parker, George M. Fisher, Andrew L. Johnson, William P. White, Josiah O. Wolcott, John S. Mullin, Jr.

Rural New Castle County—Merritt N. Willis, Theodore F. Clark, William DeKay, Edward Hart, Joseph C. Parker, Dr. G. B. Pearson.

Kent County—William T. Jester, Frank Rickards, Gamaliel Garrison, Alexander M. Daly, William Sansbury, Dr. L. S. Conwell.

Sussex County—Curtis E. Davis, Thos. F. Rawlins, Joseph E. Holland, Alexander M. Jones, John G. Townsend, Dr. G. Layton Grier.

Number-at-large—Rev. T. E. Terry, Rev. J. R. Brown, Rev. Stephen H. Morgan, Rev. Joseph Brown Turner, Rev. A. W. Lightbourne, Rev. J. H. Nutter, Dr. Joel S. Gillilan, Charles H. Coulbourne, Rev. A. S. Mowbray, John H. Kelly.

The convention chose Alexander M. Daly as chairman and Thomas N. Rawlins, secretary of the new local option party. The state committee increased the membership at large and adjourned until next Tuesday.

## USEFUL THINGS TO KNOW

When clothes are spotted with iron rust place them upon an earthen plate and spread over the spots hot, unweakened, stewed rhubarb.

Roses may be kept fresh and their beauty preserved by cutting off stems at right angles and applying hot sealing wax to the end of the stalk.

Ten drops of carbolic acid in a pint of water, poured over earth in flower pots will kill all earthworms.

As soon as one feels a cold in the head coming on put a teaspoonful of sugar in a goblet and on it put six drops of camphor, stir it and fill the glass half full of water. Stir until the sugar is dissolved and take a dessert spoonful every half hour.

It is surprising that many people cannot make a mustard plaster or do not know a good way to do it. Mix with boiling water, vinegar, or white of an egg (the latter is best when a blister is not wanted) mustard to consistency the same as for the table. Add a little flour if full strength is not desired. Spread on half a piece of thin cloth, cover with the other half. Apply and when removed wash the skin with a thin cloth or soft sponge and apply a little sweet cream or oil.

Windows may be kept free from ice and polished by rubbing the glass with a sponge dipped in alcohol.

By rubbing a fresh lemon into a sour sponge and rinsing several times in lukewarm water it will become as sweet as when new.

To make hard soap put into two quarts of cold water and six pounds strained grease, one pound can of potash, two handfuls of borax and a little rosin. Stir and not boil. It will set in a white mass, which should be cut in bars.

It is more or less a problem just how to wash white silk handkerchiefs and waists. It is the hot water, yellow soap, and hot iron that yellows. Wash in lukewarm water, using pure white soap, rinse well in tepid water, iron when just warm, not hissing hot.

Never boil tea. Boiling spoils it. Rinse the teapot well with boiling water put in the drawing of tea, turn on boiling water setting it back on the stove to infuse about ten minutes before serving.

In matters of health paradoxical as it may seem the battle is not always to the strong. A good constitution will wear for, it is true, may insure a long life, barring accidents. But it is with health as with wealth that which an ancestor has labored long to accumulate may be quickly dissipated by a spendthrift heir. Those

FOR SALE.—One mower, 1 spray pump, 1 drill, 1 potato planter, 1 hay rake and 1 weeder. Having disposed of my farm, the above articles are for sale, and can be seen at the residence of Mr. F. J. Pennington near Odessa. They are all in good repair.

W. E. Lee, Middletown, Del.

MACHINE FOR OPENING OYSTERS.

Modern invention, which has put so many classes out of business, has now fastened its claws upon the lowly, but heretofore indispensable oyster shucker. The apparent method of the man at the raw box in the past has been to break off the thin ends of the shell, insert the oyster knife and wrench the shells apart. The United States Patent Office at Washington, D. C. has just granted patents to two Baltimoreans on a mechanical shucker. The machine cuts through the hinge or the butt end of the oyster, severs the muscles of the oyster from the shell and completes the entire operation automatically.

ROYAL Baking Powder is indispensable to the preparation of the finest cake, hot-breads, rolls and muffins.

Housekeepers are sometimes importuned to buy other powders because they are "cheap." Housekeepers should stop and think. If such powders are lower priced, are they inferior? Is it economy to spoil your digestion?

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Alum is used in some baking powders and in most of the so-called phosphate powders, because it is cheap, and makes a cheaper powder. But alum is a corrosive which taken in food, acts injuriously upon the stomach, liver and kidneys.

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Mails Close as Follows.  
Going North—7:20 a. m., 10:05 a. m., 3:30 p. m., 6:00 p. m. and 9 p. m.  
Going South—7:00 a. m., 10:05 a. m., 3:30 p. m. and 9 p. m.  
For Ocean—7:00 a. m., 3:30 p. m. and 9 p. m.  
For Warwick, Cecilton and Barville 9:20 a. m. and 4:45 p. m.

MIDDLETOWN, DEL., APR. 27, 1937.

### Local News

Talking Machines and Records at Monro's.  
Highest cash prices paid for live and dressed chickens.

ARMSTRONG'S GROCERY.  
HORSE SHOEING.—Plain 75c cash. Satisfaction guaranteed. J. C. GREEN.

Gold Crowns, Bridges and Platework made in my own laboratory. Dr. Johnson.

Hear the latest Phonograph Records at Monro's.

You will find a full line of Garden and Flower Seeds at M. BANNING'S.

Shirt waist suits, 98c. Perfect fitting wrappers, my own make. Mrs. G. W. PETERSON.

FOR RENT.—Several houses on East Main street; some with hot and cold water, and bath. Apply to THEODORE WHITE, CK.

FOR RENT.—Middle Store-room of Opera House building. Possession given immediately. A. G. COX, AGT.

FOR RENT.—Dwelling and stable, East Main street, formerly occupied by John W. Solway. Possession 25th April. G. E. HUKILL.

The Ladies' Guild of St. Anne's P. E. Church cleared \$40.00 at their rummage sale held last Saturday in the Opera House Building.

FOR RENT.—House on West Main street, recently occupied by Ira W. Owens. G. E. HUKILL.

Wide-awake and no pain—either in extracting or filling teeth. Dr. Johnson.

WANTED.—Good Veal Calves. Highest cash prices paid. ARMSTRONG'S GROCERY.

32 pieces decorated tea sets, \$2.29. Full stock of dishes. You can find what you want here at the right prices. Mrs. G. W. PETERSON.

Edison Phonographs and Records for sale at WATSON MONRO'S.

Seed Oats and all kinds of Garden Seed at EVANS' EXCHANGE STORE.

Dr. G. A. Burton, up-to-date Dentist at very moderate cost. New method for extractions absolutely painless.

Unclaimed Letters.—The following list of letters remain unclaimed in the post-office for the week ending April 18th: Mr. James Leont.

FOR RENT.—The store on North Broad street formerly occupied by L. V. Kirk, newly painted and papered. Possession at once. S. E. COLLINS, Middletown, Del.

FOR SALE.—20 well Barred Brown Plymouth Rock cockers, Bradley pullet strain. A. P. CORBIT or WILLIAM CRAIG, Thomas Landing.

Up-to-date dental work. Dr. Johnson, Middletown.

You don't have to go to the city to hear the latest Edison Phonograph Records. WALTER MONRO has them.

Wall paper, mirrors, pictures and frames for sale at great bargain prices. Pictures framed while you wait. Mrs. G. W. PETERSON.

REMOVAL.—Dr. G. B. Pearson has moved his office to second floor of the building adjoining Citizens' Bank over A. G. Cox's office.

The ladies of the New Century Club will hold a bake today (Saturday) from 9 A. M. to 5 P. M. in the room over THE TRANSCRIPT office. Pies, cakes, biscuits, etc., will be on sale.

Let us do your printing, no matter how small the order, and give you a chance to prove how well we can do it.

FOR SALE.—Cabbage, Tomato, Lettuce, Sweet Potato and Egg Plant in season. C. R. CLAYTON, Case St., Middletown, Del.

The pupils of the Middletown High School will have a vacation next week. The commissioners will have the building thoroughly renovated and everything will be clean when the scholars return to their studies on Monday, May 6th.

Friends in this section of Mr. Isaac Gibbs and Miss Caroline Sunkin have received cards announcing their marriage. The ceremony was performed in Baltimore, Md., on April 25th, 1937. Mr. and Mrs. Gibbs will reside near Sassafras, Md.

The program for the next meeting of the Century Club includes History Review; Reading; "The Crofters of Scotland"; Miss Martha Heaton; Paper; "The Social Conditions of Ireland"; Mrs. A. E. Clay; Music; Reading; "Notes on Scotch Art"; Miss Julia E. Lockwood.

LADIES OF MIDDLETOWN AND VICINITY.—We have just received a lot of pattern hats from one of New York's largest Millinery Importers. There are different shapes and colors. They are all \$5.00, \$6.00, \$8.00 and \$10.00 hats. You can have your choice at \$2.50, \$2.98 and \$3.50. A. FOGEL.

FOR SALE.—One mower, 1 spray pump, 1 drill, 1 potato planter, 1 hay rake and 1 weeder. Having disposed of my farm, the above articles are for sale, and can be seen at the residence of Mr. F. J. Pennington near Odessa. They are all in good repair. Middletown, Del.

ROSE COMB BIRD ISLAND BIRD EGGS FOR SALE. These birds are great egg producers, fine table fowl, and extremely hardy. I have the finest pens of reds in the State, and a visit to my yards will convince you of the truthfulness of this statement. C. P. COCHRAN, Middletown, Del.

Boys with hat on the backs of their heads and long hair hanging down their foreheads and cigarettes and smutty looks in their mouths are cheaper than old worn-out horses. No one wants them at any price. Men will not employ them. They are not worth keeping to anyone, and they will not keep themselves. If any boy answering this description happens to read this, let him take a look at himself and do what his conscience says is best to do.

Dr. Lewis is taking a Special Hospital Course, and until June 1st, Dr. Pearson and Dr. Vaughan will take care of his practice. Dr. Lewis will be at his office every evening from 8 to 8:30 o'clock.

Some persons evidently do not understand the order of the Postoffice Department relative to postal cards. Under this order they can be sent through the mail for one cent, provided it is in an envelope, which is left unsealed and the stamp is placed on the outside of the envelope.

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With a little practice the boys will be able to surpass the good work of Saturday and will always do their best in giving the spectators an interesting game. The following score: R H E Middletown A 10 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 2 3 2 Ches. City H. S. 0 0 1 0 0 1 0 0 1 3 3 Batteries, Middletown J. Richards and I. Gibbs; Chesapeake City H. S. Watson and S. V. Umpire, Peckard.

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### RELEASED WITHOUT A HEARING

Frank H. Butler Arrested in the Marvin Kidnapping Case

"Interest in the Marvin kidnapping case was revived this week by the arrest of Frank Butler, a deckhand on the John P. Frank, early Wednesday morning, and his release Thursday morning.

Frank Love, a New Jersey detective, came here about a week ago and was engaged by Dr. Marvin after the Pinkerton detectives had found given up the case, as the state appropriation of \$2,000 was about consumed. Detective Love's theory that the last man who claimed to have seen the missing child must know something about him, and he had State Detective Hawkins swear out a writ charging Butler with murdering the child.

Butler was a farm hand and assisted in hauling grain from the farm the day the child disappeared. Butler was brought to Dover jail and put through a thorough examination. Thursday morning Attorney General Richards instructed Squire Wood to release Butler as the state did not have sufficient evidence to hold him.

"In a sworn statement Butler admits seeing the boy playing around the haystack when he drove around to load on some bags. Caldwell, a helper stated that when he came to Butler's assistance there was no boy. Butler ordered Caldwell to lift a sack containing, as he said, net corks. Caldwell lifted it on the wagon, saying they were heavy corks, weighing at least 50 pounds. They left Bay meadow and in Dave Moore's woods the kid bolt in the wagon broke. Caldwell was sent to a farm house half a mile away after a wrench. Butler remained to guard the load. Caldwell returned, repaired the wagon and drove on to Kite's Hammock, but when he arrived he remembered seeing no bag of corks. It seems rather strange that the Pinkerton detectives should advise Butler, declare him innocent and interfere with the work of State Detectives Hawkins and Gillis—Dover Index.

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The Poverty Partie which was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Heavell was a success, and a general good time was reported by all present.

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## TWO LETTERS

BY ELIZABETH ROBBINS

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As he entered the house, he wondered if she had regained her good nature, or if he would have to coax and pet her and so bring her round.

He glanced into the parlor and the sitting room, which were empty. Mrs. Bree, the housekeeper, was setting the table in the dining-room, but she was not talking, so he knew that Laura could not be either there or in the kitchen, and he ran up-stairs. Not finding the object of his search there, and a call at the attic door eliciting no reply, he returned to Mrs. Bree.

Why, she's gone off. Didn't you find the letter she left on your dressing stand? The housekeeper said.

He stared at her a little blankly, then without asking for an explanation, returned to his room. The letter was sealed, and he tore it open hastily. There was no beginning nor end. It read simply:

"I am tired of this cat-and-dog life. Before we were engaged, you declared entirely to my wishes in everything; after our engagement, you occasionally required me to defer to yours; since our marriage, you seem to expect me to always give in to your wishes, and have absolutely no will of my own. I have decided that I am not yet willing to resign myself to a condition of absolute slavery, in this free country. Therefore, when you read this letter, I shall be back home, where I intend staying for the present. I had a telegram from Cousin Nell this noon, regarding a little commission I had given her. I let Mrs. Bree think it came from mother, and that she was sick. You can let other people think the same, if you wish, and save your pride. It will not be a lie, for mother has not been well for a long time."

Lyman Mason read this missive with growing wrath, and at the end crushed it in his hand and cast it from him, then stood and glowered at the carpet.

After awhile, Mrs. Bree came and called him to supper, from the foot of the stairs. Then he picked up the crumpled half sheet of paper, set fire to it with a match, carefully disposed of the remains, and descended to his solitary repast with a grim and determined expression of countenance.

She will be back in a day or two, he reassured himself. And she won't find me any the more inclined to humor her after this childish escapade.

Friends and neighbors began almost immediately to inquire about Mrs. Mason, and with inward protest—because she had suggested it—he told them her mother was ill and she had gone to her; he hoped she would be able to leave her in a week, at the most.

The week passed, however, and she did not come. Neither did she write. Lyman grew more and more impatient and angry. It was outrageous, he told himself, for her to leave him in that way. He refused to admit that he had been at all in the wrong. He would not even review the past to see if he might not have been a little to blame in their differences. No, she had no cause for complaint. She had put herself entirely in the wrong, and placed him in a disgustingly embarrassing position.

People began now to inquire after his mother-in-law, to ask if he heard often from his wife, and if he had been to see her, and he had to exercise all his wit to make the thing appear plausible and all right.

His resentment needed no more than this to keep it at white heat. If Laura imagined he was going to try to make up—either to write to her or go to her—she was most woefully mistaken. He would never do it. He would live to be a centenarian, and die, before he would make the first advances.

Spring passed and summer came. Lyman had worked hard, and taken no recreation, for when not at his place of business he stayed close at home. He was very grim, and days would sometimes come and go without the exchange of a word not strictly necessary between himself and

Mrs. Bree. If she suspected that all was not as it should be, she never hinted it, either to him or to others. She never even asked if he had heard from Mrs. Mason, and he was grateful, for everyone else continued to inquire. His answer now was that he was to have a vacation soon, and when he returned from that he would be able to give them fuller particulars.

The vacation came and was spent on a walking tour. Lyman despised bicycles and hated pedestrianism.

On the way home, in the latter part of August, he came through the town where he had courted his wife, and where she was now staying with her mother. It was a very hot day, and he spent the most of it in the shade of a grove, leaving it a little after dark to go to where his wife was. He wanted to see her, but he had no intention of letting her see him.

His heart beat fast in spite of himself, as he neared his mother-in-law's house, and at some risk of discovery crossed the lawn and stood in the shadow of a bit of shrubbery. He was not far from a window, which was open, and soon he distinguished the voice of his wife. She was talking cheerfully to her mother, and after a little while he heard her say they would have a fight. His heart thrilled as she brought it in and set it on the table, for he could see her plainly. Involuntarily he took a step toward her, then with a stifled exclamation of self-contempt drew back.

How the sight of her brought all the past before him. She had borne the separation far better than he had. He knew that he had grown thin and haggard, but she looked as straight and slender and young and tranquil as when he had first met and fallen in love with her. To his longing eyes she looked even prettier than then. She wore a white dress of some soft fabric, trimmed with delicate lace, a pink ribbon about her throat, her brown hair drawn stylishly up and showing shiny ripples in the light. She was as daintily nice in her dress as ever, and for some occult reason the fact drew a sigh from him. Her mother, sitting in a willow rocker in the bay window, said something to her and she laughed—the old musical laugh, that used to make him think of a mountain brook. Then she took a book from the table, and went with it out of his range of vision, probably to read, for silence followed.

After waiting for some time, Lyman crept softly away and resumed his tramp. The next day but one, Lyman told his nearest neighbor that he had just come from his wife, that she was looking well, but that her mother seemed no better, and he didn't know when Mrs. Mason would feel that she ought to leave her.

Since this sight of Laura, Lyman's feelings had undergone a change. He still felt very bitter toward her because of her desertion, but he longed unspeakably for her presence in his home. He dreaded getting up in the morning and going down to his lonely breakfast, and he dreaded coming home at night to the lonely evening. It seemed as if he would give anything in the world—except the asking—to have her back.

The summer glided into fall, the days grew shorter, and an occasional crisp coolness as evening approached, foretold the coming of frost.

And now Lyman's longing for his wife became so strong that he began to think of the possibility of his making the first overtures toward a reconciliation. He would have to assume that he had not been wholly blameless, and his soul rebelled against the necessity; but of two evils one must choose the least. Perhaps he had been a trifle too insistent on his own way sometimes. In that last quarrel, now, her plan had seemed to him foolish, and he had required her to give it up, even though it would not have interfered materially with the carrying out of his; he might have let her please herself and him, too. Yes, he must admit that in that instance he had been a little—a very little—to blame. Still, he could not quite make up his mind to confess it to her.

One night he came home feeling ill. He had not, indeed, been quite well for several weeks. The next morning he found he couldn't rise to a sitting posture without such a dizzy head that trying to go to his work, or even

to dress, was out of the question. Mrs. Bree sent for the doctor. He was an old friend. Where is your wife? he asked.

She's with her mother. What address?

Lyman gave it. I shall send for her, the doctor said, and Lyman could have embraced him.

But will she come? he questioned, after the doctor had gone. He began to calculate how soon she could get there. If the doctor sent the message at once, and there was someone to take it to her when it reached her town, and she packed immediately, and had no difficulty in getting a conveyance to the station, and didn't have to wait at junctions, she might get to him at eight o'clock the next forenoon. But, on the other hand, if the doctor delayed sending, and there were hitches all along the line, she might not come till toward night, or even not till the next day. His heart grew sick at the thought. That she might not come at all, was agony.

He felt more ill as the day wore on, and the restless, pain-filled night seemed interminable. Long before eight o'clock the next morning, he had Mrs. Bree pull the bed around toward the window, and prop him up with pillows, so that he could look down the street and see Laura when she got off the car at the corner.

Cars passed, several of them, but at half-past eight there had been no Laura on any of them, and he turned his face from the window with a groan of despair.

A hack he had seen coming up the street, stopped in front of the house. A moment after, the front door opened and closed softly; there was a muffled exclamation from Mrs. Bree followed by a brief murmur, then a light footstep on the stairs and along the upper hall, and his wife entered the room.

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### HOUSEHOLD LETTER

From time to time I have been giving the readers glimpses of Mrs. Newlywed's furnishings in her modest little home, with the idea that others may be interested in her scheme and find occasional suggestions that will help them to make their homes attractive and comfortable after the latest methods but without extravagant outlay.

**The Sewing Room**  
Mrs. Newlywed had seen in her girlhood home how much more easily the household sewing was accomplished where there was a room set aside for that purpose.

The sewing room there had been so large that it had been utilized as a general work room as well. One sister having her corner arranged with the tools for wood carving, another having space for the "studio" as she dubbed her special painting place, while Mrs. Newlywed and her mother had room in the rest of the space for their no less artistic and attractive stitching.

**The Little New Room**  
Her own little home offered no such spacious accommodation, in fact at first sight there was no room available to set aside for the purpose. There was however a just about 6 feet square at the end of the second floor hall with a long window door that opened out on a small balcony and this she determined to utilize for her sewing room.

**The Machine selected**  
The machine was the most expensive and important purchase to be made for this cozy and profitable corner and with her usual good sense, she selected a No. 7 of the same make that she had been used to running in her old home. It was a great improvement on the older machine had all the latest and most up-to-date attachments, was especially light running yet would answer for any requirements she was liable to make upon it from the most substantial sewing to the tuckings, new pillowcases, that would ornament her prettiest blouses and other garments. She felt that it was wiser to buy from an old established firm, than to risk purchasing a machine of a nondescript, cheaper sort.

**A Screen the Next Fitting**  
Next importance was the screen which she meant should do yeoman's service for many things besides screening her little work room from casual observation. A rather heavy old-fashioned clothes horse, with square frames was selected for this and cheap but substantial brass hinges replaced the cotton tapes that held the parts together.

**The Covering**  
Some of the pretty green Santees that had been left from the hall wall hanging was utilized for covering this, and was brought over the edges of the frame and neatly tacked inside.

Upholstery nails with large doll, brass heads, were tacked at intervals outside, more for ornament than utility, though they also helped to keep the covering trim and taut.

Inside that screen was a wonder of ingenious device for holding the many conveniences that are needed in a sewing room. Bags of green denim that resembled shoe bags and laundry bags with pockets of various sizes, all labeled, held patterns, cotton, linings, silks, trimmings, etc.

**Brass Screw-Hooks**  
Brass hooks screwed into the stained wood of the frame held smaller button and tape bags and a hinged board attached to one fold that could be made into a cutting table did duty for all the many things that are demanded of such a convenience.

**The Balcony**  
On warm days the screen was often shifted out onto the balcony, placed where it would shield from the sun, as well as from too inquisitive neighbors, and made to do duty in very many ways. Additions to its store of conveniences were from time to time suggested and added and Mrs. Newlywed's sewing room was a pronounced success.

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### WASHINGTON LETTER

THOSE who have been looking for a fresh sensation can rest quite satisfied. They have it in the proposition the President has advanced to cut off all election contributions and have the legitimate election expenses of all parties paid by the national government. This might raise a wall from the anti-paternalists, for it would be paternalism of a sort, in fact of the most pronounced sort. But it would be fair to all parties and the two big parties in freeing elections from the taint and suspicion of money might find it useful. The plan has not yet been put forth officially, but it has been talked over at the White House and the President is understood to be decidedly in favor of it. So far as the details have been worked out, it is that the several parties should be apportioned funds for legitimate election expenses in proportion to the vote that they polled at the last preceding similar election. This would keep the government disbursement from being all in the hands of the two big parties. The funds would be carefully audited as any of the other disbursements of the government, and not only would the people know where each dollar of the money had gone, but they would see to it that election expenses were kept down within something like reasonable limits. It would settle the question of corporate campaign contribution, would relieve the corporations from being "held up" by enterprising campaign solicitors and would assure all candidates of sufficient funds to meet their legitimate outlay. It is just the sort of an unpleasant proposal for a President to make, one that the machine politicians on neither side will relish, and yet one that nobody could honestly and reasonably oppose. It would make the election cease to depend on the size of the "bar," and would throw hosts of ward heisters out of a job. It will be delightful if the suggestion is submitted to Congress to see the number of ways in which the professional politicians will try to get out of fairly facing the issue. It is almost sensation enough for one week, and will give a number of "statements" something to think about between now and the next session of Congress.

Dr. L. O. Howard, known all over the United States as "the mosquito man" of the Department of Agriculture, has sailed for Europe on a rather curious mission. He is going to bring back a large assortment of small insects which are parasites of the gypsy moth that for years past has been spreading over eastern Massachusetts and seriously threatens the shade trees and shrubbery of much of the state. The history of the gypsy moth and its near relative the brown-tailed moth is rather romantic. They were accidentally let loose in Massachusetts by a scientist who had some live ones in his collection. They are very destructive to shade trees and shrubbery of all sorts, but the gypsy moths are slow spreading insects and though it is years since they were first turned loose, they have spread over only about a quarter of the state. Various methods have been tried of exterminating them, but none have been successful in more than temporarily checking them, and the state of Massachusetts has spent over \$1,000,000 already in fighting the pest. It happened a year ago that in southern Russia Dr. Howard found a number of insect parasites that preyed on the two moths and kept them in check in the regions of which they are natives. He sent some of the parasites home and the experiments with them were so successful that he has gone abroad again, this time largely assisted by funds from Massachusetts and expects to send home some hundred thousand of the moth-killing insects. This will be released in the moth-ridden area, and it is believed will do more toward checking the pest than anything that has yet been tried. It is expected that forestry will be benefited in the future by the known fact that "fleas have other fleas to bite 'em" and so it is an ad infinitum.

The State department received this week another \$50,000 in aid of the Chinese famine fund. This has been forwarded to the Missionary relief committees in China from whom a report has just been received showing the progress of the work up to date. There has been over \$200,000 contributed by this country since the call for funds by the President and the missionary committees state that they have now on their register 400,000 famine sufferers who are being fed from the funds and all of whom it is believed can be kept alive till the next harvest, which promises to be reasonably good.

This week saw the end of the contest for the Presidency of the Daughter of the American Revolution, who are meeting in Washington. Mrs. Donald McLean, the present President General, was re-elected by an overwhelming majority. The Daughters are building a magnificent hall for themselves in Washington. It is almost finished and has been partially dedicated. It will cost about \$250,000 though not a remarkably large building, and will act not only as a national meeting place but as a hall of records for the society.

This has been a convention week for Washington. One of the other important meetings that is being held here is that of the American Society of International Law. This association is just a year old, has for its president Secretary of State Root, and numbers among its members many of the foremost lawyers of the United States. One of the objects of the society is to reduce the code of international law, which at present is in a rather hazy state, to something like regular and generally accepted form. There are a number of questions touching neutrality in time of war, the rights of blockade and property rights on the high seas which the association will express its views upon and will forward to the Hague to be considered by the coming peace conference.

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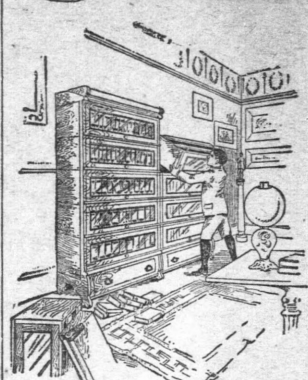
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